STATE BOARD OF ELECTROLOGISTS Debra L. Larson, L.E., Chairperson, 1994

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The State Board of Electrologists was organized in 1978 (Chapter 851, Acts of 1978). The Board adopts and revises standards of electrology practice for registered electrologists and prescribes standards for educational programs leading to licensure. The Board examines, issues, and renews the licenses of qualified applicants. The Board also conducts hearings on charges calling for discipline of a licensed electrologist by penalty, denial, revocation, or suspension of a license, and causes the prosecution of all persons in violation of the Electrology Practice Act.

The Board consists of five members who serve four-year terms. Four are licensed electrologists and one is a public member. Upon recommendation of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Governor appoints members of the Board with Senate advice and consent. Authorization for the Board continues until July 1, 2004 (Code Health Occupations Article, secs. 6-101 through 6-702).

STATE COMMISSION ON KIDNEY DISEASE Andrew Whelton, M.D., Chairperson, 1996 Eva Schwartz, Executive Director

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The State Commission on Kidney Disease was created in 1971 (Chapter 492, Acts of 1971). The Commission oversees a program of State assistance throughout Maryland for persons with chronic renal disease.

The Commission gathers and disseminates information on the treatment of chronic renal disease in the State. It also sets physical and medical standards for the operation of dialysis and renal transplantation centers and sets standards for the acceptance of a patient into the treatment phase of such programs. Patients accepted for treatment are eligible for State medical assistance. For the public and providers of health services, the Commission also institutes and supervises educational programs on kidney disease and its treatment and prevention.

The Commission consists of twelve members appointed to four-year terms by the Governor. Four members are lay persons to the field of medicine, one represents the medical insurance industry, and three are appointed at the Governor's discretion. The remaining four members are appointed by the Governor from lists of names submitted respectively by the Kidney Foundation of Maryland, the medical faculties of the University of Maryland and The Johns Hopkins University, and the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of the State of Maryland. The Commission appoints the

executive director (Code Health—General Article, secs. 13-301 through 13-307).

STATE BOARD OF MORTICIANS Erich W. March, President, 1995 Norene Pease, Administrator

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The State Board of Morticians was established as the State Board of Undertakers of Maryland in 1902 (Chapter 160, Acts of 1902). In 1937, it was renamed the State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers. The Board received its present name in 1981 (Chapter 8, Acts of 1981).

Every funeral director and mortician in the State must register with and procure a license from the Board. The Board sets the standards for the practice of mortuary science in the State and examines applicants for licensure. The Board renews licenses every two years and has the power to suspend or revoke any license. The Board makes regulations for the enforcement of laws regarding funeral directing and mortuary science.

Upon recommendation of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene and with Senate consent, the Governor appoints the Board's twelve members to four-year terms. Eight members are practicing licensed morticians or funeral directors, and four members are consumers who have no training or substantial financial interest in the profession. Authorization for the Board continues until July 1, 2002 (Code Health Occupations Article, secs. 6-101 through 6-602).

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS Carville D. Duncan, Jr., Chairperson, 1996 Jeaneanne S. Streib, Vice-Chairperson, 1993

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Established in 1970, the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators examines, licenses, and registers nursing home administrators (Chapter 262, Acts of 1970). Licenses must be renewed with the Board every two years. They may be revoked or suspended for cause. In addition, the Board studies nursing homes and their administrators.

The Board is composed of eleven members appointed to four-year terms by the Governor upon recommendation of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene. Four members are nursing home administrators; four are not nursing home administrators but are actively engaged in professions concerned with the care of the chronically ill, infirm, or aged; and three are consumers. Consumer members are appointed